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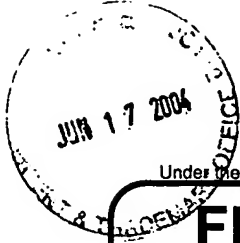
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1812	1812	2,520	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
1804	1804	920*	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
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1251	2251	110	55	Extension for reply within first month
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1253	2253	950	475	Extension for reply within third month
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1401	2401	330	165	Notice of Appeal
1402	2402	330	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	2403	290	145	Request for oral hearing
1451	1451	1,510	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
1452	2452	110	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
1453	2453	1,330	665	Petition to revive - unintentional
1501	2501	1,330	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
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1809	2809	770	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))
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GROUP ART UNIT: 2837

EXAMINER: Donels, Jeffrey

AMENDMENT TO MARCH 17, 2004 OFFICE ACTION

June 17, 2004

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Honorable Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in accordance with the Revised Amendment Format under the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as issued by the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy on 1/31/03.

In response to the Office Action dated **03/17/2004**, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with above-identified application:



AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

No changes to the drawings.